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from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. Specifically, each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a Supplementary Partial European Search Report issued October 24, 2002 in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the disclosures which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 (Exhibit 1), and attached hereto as Exhibits 2-3:

- 1. Branchek, et al., "Galanin Receptor Subtypes," Trends In Pharmacological Sciences, Elsevier Trends Journal. (March 2000) 21(3): 109-116 (Exhibit 2); and
- 2. Smith, et al., "Cloned Human and Rat Galanin GALR3 Receptors," The Journal of Biological Chemistry. (September 1998) 273 (36): 23321-23326 (Exhibit 3).

The above-listed references were first cited in a Supplementary Partial European Search Report issued October 24, 2002 in connection with EP 97 91 0850, a foreign counterpart of the subject application. A copy of this search report is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Since three months from October 24, 2002 is <u>January 24</u>, 2003, this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being timely filed.

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If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Supplementary Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. \$1.97(c)(1) and 1.97(e)(1). However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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